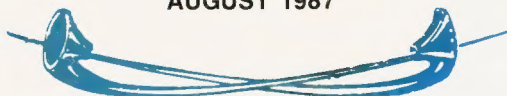


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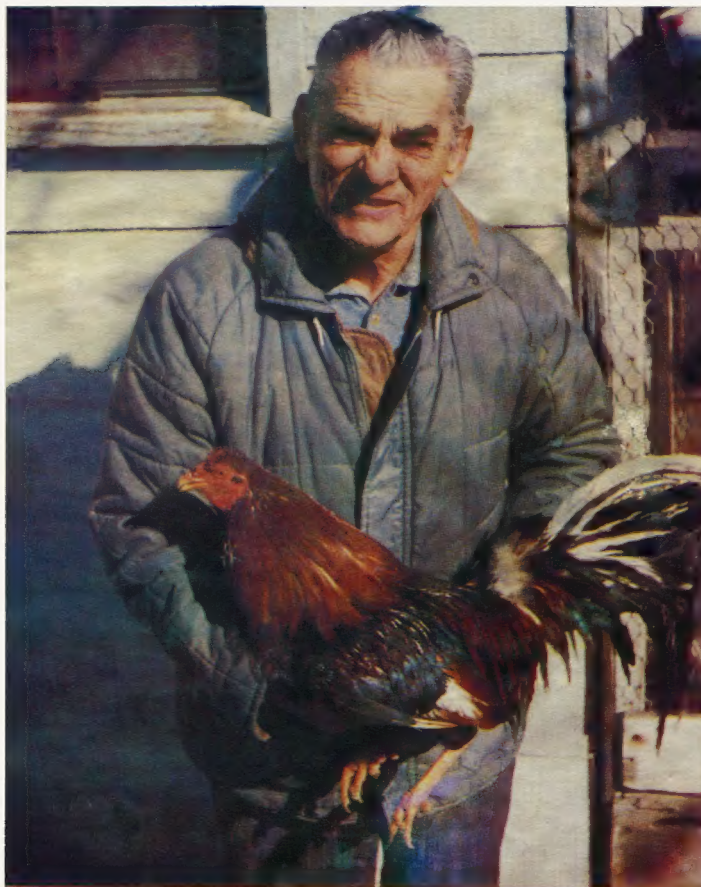
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The moulting season is upon us. The weather is HOT! In many places DRY; others WET; those fowl need special attention. Fresh clean water, a shade and special attention.

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We are indebted to our loyal reporters and correspondents who give of their time and talent by contributing manuscripts to this journal. Any success we may have attained, we owe to these faithful contributors and we wish to assure them of our deep appreciation and urge them to continue.

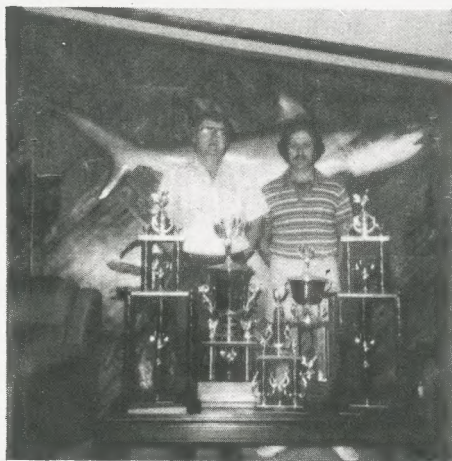
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June 17-18, 8-Cock Filipino Style

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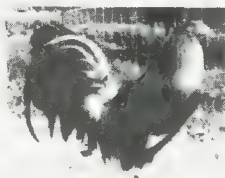
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TREASURER'S REPORT

From Jay Limbaugh

It is difficult to write a report on the Treasurer's activities at this time of the year—the Fourth of July is this weekend; and the UGBA Annual Board and General Meetings are three weeks away—and this report will not be published and delivered to you all until after those events.

By then the First UGBA Gamefowl Show will be history; we will have a newly elected President; Officers will have been elected and Affiliate Directors confirmed as members of the Board of Directors for the new term of office; the Treasurer's annual report will have been presented; the Auditor's annual review will have been presented to the Board, etc.

But—at this writing all of that is yet to come, so I'll back up and write about an activity that took place this past weekend. That was the Third Ohio Gamefowl Breeders Association Gamefowl Show. Tom Buel again served as Chairman of that event; Secretary/Treasurer Camille Smith assisted; President Jim Kinder and others lent their help wherever needed; the Exhibitors put up a fine display of birds; and Dr. Glyde Marsh, as usual, handled the Judging and at the same time freely answered the many questions from exhibitors and spectators alike.

We felt fortunate that all went so smoothly since we had an observer in the person of Sandy Clark. Sandy was using our event to learn the mechanics of staging such an event in preparation for the UGBA Show in Lafayette. She too answered questions and discussed UGBA matters with the Members present. Everyone appreciated this opportunity to meet and talk with her and I'm sure that she, Tom, John Fowler and all the committee people involved will put on a successful show for all those who are able to take (make that "who took") their birds to Lafayette.

ORGANIZATIONAL NEWS

On June 27th, 1987, the Florida Gamefowl Breeders Association held its annual meeting and elections. The officers and board elected are as follows.

President, Rick Mallett. Vice President, Dr. Mac Abad. Secretary-Treasurer, Jane Rowe. Area Vice Presidents and Assistants are (1) Northeast: Dr. Mac Abad and Gary Thomas. (2) Panhandle: Carol Woods and Butch Kirsh. (3) Central: Dwaine Athley and Frank Bell. (4) Southeast: Andy Hightower and Ira Walden. (5) Southwest: Pat McNear and Gus Stephens.

Our guest speaker was UGBA Vice President, Joe Zannino. His speech was both very informative and entertaining. We are working quietly here to bring about a change in our law. Sooner or later it will come about.

Rick Mallett,
President FGBA

A Summer Meet at Dreher Island State Park is scheduled for August 9th. Come, bring your family and a well-filled picnic basket. Entertainment and fun is planned for this all-day event.

H. B. Boatwright,
Pres. SCGBA

The annual New Mexico GBA meeting will be held September 19, 1987 at Ruidoso beginning at 11:00 A. M. It will take place at the Cree Meadows Country Club in the n/40 division located on Country Club Road near the golf course.

There will be a plate lunch served at 12:00 o'clock for \$6.50 per person. We urge all NMGBA members to attend and take an active part.

At the conclusion of our meeting a number of items will be raffled off to raise funds for NMGBA. We are accepting any articles for this raffle and they are appreciated.

For additional information you can call me at noon or after 7:00 P.M. at (505) 398-6565.

Jack Luce, Sec. Treas. NMGBA

The 6th annual meeting of the Western District NCGBA will be held at the home of Gerald & Stanlena Allen near Morganton, North Carolina on Saturday, September 12th. Registration will begin at 10:00 A.M. and end at 12:00. Lunch will be served at 12:30 P.M. Everyone interested in the breeding and raising of gamefowl is invited to attend. We will be renewing memberships and signing up new members at this meeting.

There will be a Western District Board Meeting at the home of Melvin & Leona Little in Catawba, North Carolina on August 9th at 1:00 P.M. There will be a cookout for those attending this meeting. See you all at Gerald & Stanlena's in September.

United we Stand, Divided we Fall.

Melvin Little, Pres.
Western District, NCGBA

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Hoss, Silver Fox, Thunder Dome****5-Cock Clean-Up 71 Entries****Four tie at 5-0****Slick Lizard, Buckwheat
Thunder Bird #2, Bama Sports #1****Arbuckle Entry—'87 Cocker of the Year at Sunset****Clearwater—Bull Frog
'87 Sportsman Award at Sunset**

Thunder Bird—Stingray—Ray Alexander and Johnny Higginbotham fed this show, assisted by George Araneta, Ray's guest from the Philippines. Johnny pitted using the VON socket knife sharpened by Mitch Spears.

Coast: Tokie & Russell Holley with Tommy Moulder pitting.

Hoss: Hoss Barnett fed this show of Hatch Kelsos, assisted by his dad, Buddy Barnett.

Leon Gamble handled using Alan Ray socket knife. Fowl were raised by Tubby Lloyd, Soko Shears, Ralph McQuirk and Charles Ballenger.

Slick Lizard: Worley Norton and James McDaniel bred these Whitehackle Roundheads and Hatch Roundheads which were fed and pitted by Junior Keeton and Roy Odom.

Silver Fox: Gerald Benoit bred, fed, tied and pitted this entry.

Thunder Dome: Curtis Blackwell Hatch Crosses owned by Cleve Dial, trained by Doug Runte and Ron Thibedeaux, assisted by James Campbell. Alan Ray socket knives were used.

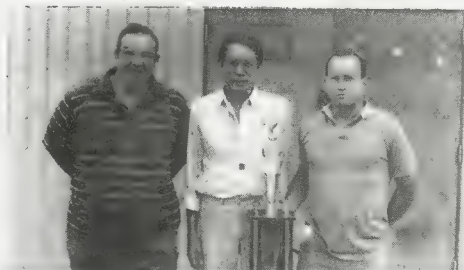
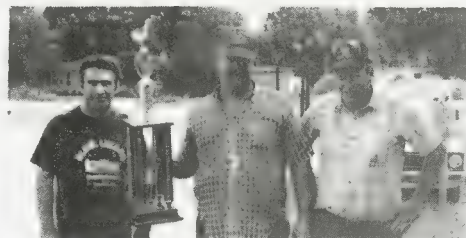
Iberia Club: tied at 6-2.

Buck Wheat: Whitehackle cocks bred and owned by Wilcox, fed by Eddie & Tammy Boyette and handled by Richard Harris. They used the experimental boot and knife made by Mitch Spears.

Thunder Bird #2: Bud McPherson and Carl Thomas.

Bama Sports #1: Clarets fed by Jimbo Cox, bred by Dee and Ginnie Cox, and handled by Paul Fasoth.

Congratulations to Junior Keeton and his wife on the birth of a 9 lb. 6 oz. pullet, Ashley Nicole, on Saturday June 20th.

SEEN AT SUNSET**Pictures from David Williams****Thunderbird: Ray Alexander, Jorge Arnetta and Johnny Jorge.****Hoss Entry: Buddy & Jason Barnett and Leon Gamble.****Coast: Stephanie & Shorty Touchet, Tokie & Russell Holley, Bobby Touchet and Tommy Moulder.****Slick Lizard: Junior Keeton, James McDaniel and Worley Norton.**

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Buckwheat: Tammy & Eddie Boyette, Mitch Spears and Richard Harris with Buck Harris holding trophy.



Jack Entry: Bobby Jefferies, Merle & Jack Winters. They took day honors with cocks out of Oscar Akins brood fowl, trained and handled by Bobby using Alan Ray Socket knives.

TEXOMA GAME CLUB

From Pokey

99 entries weighed in for this annual 7-Cock 4th of July Filipino Derby.

No one could go seven (7) wins. Five scored 6-1 for overall; 8 split the first 3-Cock and 7 split the last 3-Cock.

Tying at 6-1

Owl's Nest, Smith & Krause, Tennessee, Triple H, Red Fox

Owl's Nest: O. W. Lanier pitted this show of cocks using a VON knife sharpened by Fred Graham at pitside. O. W. was assisted by Ira Walden, David Adkins Sr. and Jr. and Dud Stark. They won the trophy.

Smith & Krause fought Hulsey crosses bred by the late Smitty Smith and left to his son James. James Smith pitted, Kelly Krause fed and Johnny Martin tied the Filipino knife.

Tennessee Entry: Tom Wilson, Carl and Steve Byrd, with Tommy doing pit duties.

Triple H fought Asil Hatch and Asil Greys bred by Curtis Hodge Jr. Scott Springer (Too Salty) fed and pitted and Gerald Benoit (Silver Fox) tied the Filipino knife. Jeff Whisnant and Brenda Springer assisted this group.

Red Fox fought Hatch Roundheads and Hatch Clarets bred by the Fox himself, Harold Brown of Alabama. John Browning fed this show. Tommy Arwood pitted and tied the Don Hadley knives. Don did the sharpening.



Owl's Nest: Ira Walden, Dud Stark, David Adkins Jr., O. W. Lanier, David Adkins Sr. and Fred Graham.



Smith & Krause: Johnny Martin, Kelly, Krause and James Smith



Tennessee: Tommy Wilson, Carl & Steve Byrd.



Triple H: Ray Westall and Harry Wills of the Dinero entry; Scott Springer, Jeff Whisnant, Brenda Springer, Gerald Benoit and Curtis Hodge Jr.



Red Fox: Barbara and Tommy Arwood, Harold Brown, Don Hadley and John Browning.

8-Win the First Three

Tennessee, Golden Edge, Sting Ray, Hawaii #2, Thackerville, RRR, Jesse, Cock 'n Bull.

Golden Edge: Joe Underhill and Terry Watson combined their Kelso crosses. Joe fed and pitted Randy Largo tied the knife.

Sting Ray: Ray Alexander bred these cocks which were fed by Johnny Higginbotham and Bob Howard. Andy Lerma tied the knife and pitted.

Hawaii #2: They fought Penn-Mar fowl bred by Charlie Pearce and pitted by Mongoose. Joe Lopez and others were connected with this entry.

Thackerville Game Club: Murle Gregory and Don Staggs fed this show with Murle pitting, using a socket knife.

RRR: Ronnie Coleman bred, fed and pitted. He used a Leonie Paredes Filipino knife.

Jesse entry fought stags bred by Charles Carr. He fed, assisted by Joe Creekmore and Jesse Carr. He used the VON knife.

Cock 'n Bull: Timmy Thaggard and Red Ketchum selected and fed this mixed show of cocks. Darrel Mack tied the Filipino knife. Hiawatha Stokes did the pitting.

7 Split the Last Three

Owl's Nest, James & Kelly, Triple H, Red Fox Cardinal Club, Possom Hollow, Dinero.

Cardinal Club fought Kelsos bred by Loyce and Dot Derouen, fed by Clyde and Shan Derouen. Leonie Paredes tied the knife and Shane pitted.

Possom Hollow fought Hatch Butchers and Hatch Albanys bred and fed by Joe and Beverly Salinas. Joe pitted and tied Leonie and Jack Stamey knives.

Dinero: Ray Westall and Harry Wells combined their show of Cardinal Club Kelso fowl. Ray pitted.



Tex. Cocker 1987: Slim Silver Bullet: James Denny, Slim Benoist, Clayton & Hi Stokes.

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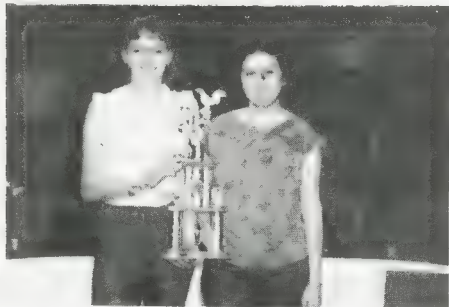
From Brenda Daville

May 1st—A "Powder Puff" Derby, we had 17 entries with 2 wins.

Love Birds owned by Bill Vicory, showed Murphy Hatch crossed, fed and conditioned by Bill and handled by Shawn Johansen.

Southern Cross owned by Glenn Ellis & Dale Corder showed Hatch, fed and conditioned by Glenn assisted by Charlie Green and handled by Thelma Ellis.

The trophy was won by Love Birds by a toss. There was hacking before and after the derby. Thank you ladies for the entries.



Left Love Birds—Shawn Johansen and right: Southern Cross—Thelma Ellis.

May 9—A 4 Cock or Stag. We had 88 entries with 5 winners.

War Lord owned by Bill Clark. Showed 2 Candy Hatch, 2 Warhorse Brown Reds using Birke Bayonets. Fed and conditioned by Danny Clark. Bred and handled by War Lord.

CC & B owned by Carlene & Clifford Johnson, showed Roundheads using 2½ medium point Long Star Jagers. Fed, conditioned and handled by Carlene.

Mike owned by Mike Mitchell, showed Hatch Greys and Hatch Roundheads using Regulations. Fed, conditioned and handled by Frankie Owrey.

Shine On—owned by Slick & Bobby Baker, showed Kelso Clarets and Hatch Clarets. Fed by Rigo Manzano. Handled by Donnie Loiacano. Heeled by Slick.

Beastie—owned by Leonel Flores. Showed Hatch Kelso. All brothers. Fed and conditioned by Leonel. Handled by Carlos Flores.

The trophy was won by Mike by a draw.

May 23—In a 5 Cock or Stag we had 71 entries with 1 winner.

Over the Hill owned by Dempsey Irvin. Showed Butcher Crosses. Fed, conditioned and handled by Eddie Jonas.

May 29—A 4 Cock Knife we had 27 entries with 1 winner. Pineknot owned and bred by Adrian Jones showing Blues fed, conditioned and handled by James Evans.



War Lord Entry and Beastie Entry.



CC & B Entry, Mike Entry, Shine On Entry and Beastie Entry.



Over the Hill



Pineknot

LEA COUNTY GAME CLUB

From Learline

June 6—6 Cock 1 inch knife—29 entries. Marlon Greenhaw and Billy Edwards, Pat Privitt won the derby with 6 straight. Shorty Reyna handling, Pat the feeder, Marlon-Billy and Mabry were the owners of the cocks.

We also had a 3 Cock Derby with 40 entries. Five tied for first, Chuck & son Frank, Bo—Peyton Lubbock—Easy.

Everybody showed outstanding cocks.

We had a nice crowd on hand for the Bar-B-Q. Hats off to Allen Hall and Rambo for doing such a great job. It was the best Bar-B-Q you ever ate.



L to R: Marlon Greenhaw, Mabry Greenhaw, Billy Edwards, Pat Privitt, Jenette Privitt and Shorty Reyna.

June 13—5 Cock Gaff—22 entries. The derby was won by Martin Minjarez—owned, conditioned, bred and handled by Martin. He fought ¼ Butcher, ¼ Roundhead ½ Kelso Cross.



L to R: Martin and Ester Minjarez and Uncle Pedro Mendoza.

June 20—5 Cock, 1 inch knife. We had two to tie this derby John Whistler and son, and John Mills the Roundjacket Entry.

We also had a 3 cock derby with Vonzie and Johnson tying for that one.



L to R: Young Whistler, John Whistler, John Mills and Jamie Pando.

SUNSET RECREATION CLUB

May 1987-8 Cock



Winners: Frankie & Jack. Cocks owned by Jack Winters & Frankie Owrey. Out of Oscar Akins brood fowl, fed, conditioned and pitted by Frankie. Shown are Frankie, Merle & Jack and friend. (Picture from David Williams)



Oakgrove Entry—Winners in 5-Cock, May 1987. (Picture from David Williams)

SOUTHEASTERN USA

From Jack

June 20—67 entries weighed in for this Annual 6-Cock Otis Shelton Tribute.

Only one entry was able to chalk up a perfect 6-0: Po Ridge Entry.



Po Ridge: (L to R): Sammy Blackwell, Jimmy Foster and Jack Powell (not pictured: Jim Crouch). They had a show of Blueface and Grady Fields Hatch cocks using Abe Custom design gaffs.

This was Po Ridge's second win this month.

There is a question being asked whether we need the UGBA. You can answer this question yourself. Do you own gamefowl? Does your state have a Senate and House of Representatives? If you don't know what the United and State Gamefowl Breeders have done, then where have you been since 1975.

If we have to have a survey to see why you don't belong to the UGBA, to hell with you. I am siding with the people in Texas because they are the men and women of the hour. Just ask them what happens when you unite. By setting on your buttocks and complaining, this is detrimental to our sport and beneficial to the opposition. We will destroy ourselves from within through stupidity.

If some of the cockers would stop spending so much time opposing us and start helping us, we would grow. If you are not a member and I have offended you, GOOD. You made my day.

Danny Baines,
TN Director 1st District

NEVER ENDING

From Arthur Ray Webb Sr.

Dedicated to the memory of Uncle Pete Green, Norris Barnes and Foxy Hewitt, Golden Knights that touched my life and the lives of all that knew them.

As the pale winter sun yields to the crisp brightness of a starlit sky another golden knight claims death. As he enters the abyss of the past, he casually drops a stout battle scarred shield. While the floating mist engulfs the venerable one, a young squire, soon to become an able man-at-arms, grasps the steely badge and glances about frantically for its bearer.

From the tranquility surrounding him he hears the unspoken and fading voice of his mentor. "It is yours. This shield has served me without fail and will do the same for you also. Take it and always keep it near at hand."

Presently in the spring the valiant young footman receives his spurs. The treasured shield also undergoes a metamorphosis emerging carrying a new coat-of-arms. This freshly christened knight, like the lion hearted one before him, bore the label "Black Knight". All wondered what cause he would champion.

Scornful cries of "it is he, The Black Knight", defile the grace of summer's charm. But who utters these profanities? Is it the weak and oppressed? Or is it the knave and roguish?

Daily the battle rages on. Not all skirmishes are won. Yet the solitary gladiator advances onward. Many as able or more able himself watched his struggles, content to let someone else do that which must be done and affirmed ignorance of any conflict.

Ah, but the chosen one had the ageless shield. Though dented and scarred a wee bit more, it will not submit to the unrestrained pounding of adversity.

Surely as the bitter hardness of the untimely pear melts into amber sweetness, so does the soul of the true at heart.

Autumn, the beautiful harbinger of a bleak and barren season, allows time for reflection. From a lofty vantage point the now competent warrior's recall settles on the ghostly memory of "The Golden Knight". As he gazes at the often tested shield, he realizes the ancient one through an act of faith had bestowed upon him a truly rare gift.

The shield was honor. Sadly he thought how few would have the mind to understand and fewer still the heart to embrace this understanding.

As he sat pondering, the hand of the eternal lifted him into a brighter light. This mortal now knew that love, faith and honor are as inseparable as the day and the night.

WHO KNOWS

by R. S. Mack

Years ago, before many of you readers were born, I use to listen to the opening words of *The Shadow*: "Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men..."

It is getting that way today with our pit fowl. Some old professionals say that we are getting very low on the true, dead game blood. They site many sound reasons; No more Welch Mains; No peg awl derbies; Less mains; Less 'small time cockers' who fight six to 15 cocks all season until either the fowl, or the season, comes to an end. Yet many cockers today will say, "Who needs them?! Such events are slow, or cruel, or both. I want it fast, quick, and get the cash. The dough is what it is all about!" Perhaps that is why another group of cockers, who truly love their sport and fowl, recommend we should have 50 and 100 dollar derbies and bet only ten bucks in the center.

Before some of you 'youngsters' roll on the floor laughing, I will state the idea is neither new, nor only a dream. Forty years ago the most exclusive pit ever in operation had a similar rule. Derbies were from \$75. to \$300.; and on the bottom of your personal membership card (along with your picture) was a sentence; "A min. bet of ten dollars is required in the center whether it be a derby fight or hack." Seated side by side might be a millionaire, small time cocker, a pro up from the circuit, and, among the crowd could be found, several big bettors. The owner and great sportsman of the pit had, as its manager Eddie Rodger. A better run, cleaner, no nonsense pit you will never find. The referees were knowledgeable, fair, but walking gods. Their word was LAW. Most derbies were in 1¼"; a few in "long heels" (1½"); and a very rare runner brought the house down on it, handler, and owner, with humorous barbs. It saddens me to think of all the members who are deceased.

Today the money boys believe in what Dick Dorsey and Bob McGarrity said decades ago. "A cock or stag has only one fight in which it is 100% for that season. Every battle after that its maximum percentage decreases." However, they were speaking of dead game fowl! Many dunghills today are sensational in their initial battle. But just try to win 3, or 4 times in one season! I have seen "noted" 'breeds' win quick, didn't appear to be touched, were placed in big fly pens, and when brought back 3 weeks later for pointing, went UNDER HACK in the stalls! They knew what was ahead of them.

I know an Irishman, who we shall call Pat, that in a few minutes around a bird, tell you 'it will quit'; or, 'nothing will make this one run'. Before the editor's head is requested for printing this, permit me the courtesy to finish. I do not claim Pat will go up and down rows of pens or strings and judge each. However, should he say, in a tactful way, "...be careful of this one...(or) I do not trust this bird for he won't take the cutting"; please do

not bet your house on it to prove him wrong! Your loved ones will be without food or shelter. How he does it I do not know. Yet he has done it so often, as a cocker is heeling-up, and been correct, that his close pals take it for granted. What is, to me, a true puzzle, is Pat will tell you a bird, which seems only seconds from leaving the pit, is O.K. And, it does stay & fights!

Now, friends, for the killer! This is a TRUE story. Only the names have been changed to protect the guilty and the innocent. A cock called, "Potomac", so bred-in-the-purple that it would make the progeny of Native Dancer jealous, came into the hands—through close friendship—of a real cocker we shall call Joe. The ace was 4, and had won in a very prestigious derby as a stag, plus two big mains. He also had proven itself as an outstanding sire, having been first placed in a brood pen when only a stag because the breeder's son (lets call him Billy) was so high on the bird. As a chick it was first to the boy's call. It was something to see.

About a month after Potomac came to Joe, the cocker, along with his 2 partners, were selecting cocks for a big derby. Realizing he had never seen Potomac make 1 fly, Joe told his partners he'd show them, "a real ace." The bird indeed lived up to its reputation by out classing its foe. One of the other men went out and returned with a cock over a pound heavier. Nevertheless, Potomac was better. While it was trying to catch its breath, the other man brought in a recent winning grey ace. In less than a dozen flies, Potomac took off! Joe was stunned. The partners chided him for believing any 'gift' could be the equal of fowl for which they had paid handsome amounts. Being a true cocker, he refused to kill the bird until it had been shown to the noted breeder. Meanwhile, every day, Joe would bring a different bird to the fallen angel's stall only to see it turn and walk away. It never 'sang' nor did it show the white feather; but it seemed to turn in disgust.

Three weeks later, at the request of Joe, the breeder of Potomac, Billy and Pat, the mystic who you think is a figment of my imagination, arrived at Joe's. The 3 were in disbelief upon seeing the once great ace's actions. Sadly the breeder said, "Go ahead and axe him, I'm very sorry. You know I'd never give such a bird away, Joe." "And I know you have the gamest cocks on this earth! You wouldn't have believed me unless you saw this in person. Now let's go in and have a few drinks and dinner." All left but Pat, who studied the bird carefully. I heard him speaking softly, while he moved a hand to and then away from the stall. "Pat!" called Joe, "I said drinks!" We all laughed as the Irishman turned to join the group.

The next morning, after breakfast, as instructed by Joe, we went among the 200 pens to "select something to spar and, if you like it, take it home. Just stay out of the brood pens. My hens are laying." Gee, but he has some gorgeous fowl! We all met back at the cockhouse and soon were sparring the birds. After 3, or 4 pairs, I looked out the window and noticed Billy and Pat were in front

of Potomac's small stall. Dreamers!! I thought; while Billy took the bird out, stroked it, and gave it several flys, Pat talked. About 20 minutes later Potomac came into the cockhouse with his 2 pals. The very place were it had tried to flee just two weeks before.

"Why not spar this one Joe?" asked Pat.

The breeder looked embarrassed as the fellows chided Pat while casting ridicule on Potomac. All, that is, but Joe. He merely shook his head slightly, trying to tell his good friend, without a word spoken, do not try it. The bird is rank and you will bring more shame on both the breeder and yourself. Nevertheless, Pat gave Joe a wink. That wink, while Pat is in a pit, has won a ton of dough for friends while others gave big odds that it was no contest.

A partner of Joe's ran out to fetch a cock. It had won at 6:00 only a week ago. Potomac was, at best, only 4:12. The partners are not true cockers, that is for sure.

"Put down that piece of trash and see what a greyhound it is, Billy!"

The boy refused. "Bill them first, please." The kid was born with class. They did, and when released Potomac topped the much larger foe 3 times, then sent it sprawling. Billy picked up his feathered friend.

"Leave him down! Leave 'im down!" yelled one of the partners. "No need to do it. Potomac just killed it, if they had been wearing heels." replied Pat calmly. The 2 partners each went out and returned with 2 large cocks. But again Potomac was the better bird.

Smiling, Joe studied the ace. "I'd have lost my butt betting he would take off. What if I went out, Pat, and brought in the grey that ran him off?"

Pat accepted the smooth compliment with grace. Nodding, "Go get him. Potomac will take his death today. Nothing will make him leave."

When Joe returned with the ace grey, a partner asked to "see Potomac."

"No!" Pat spoke sharply. "Billy is doing the handling today!"

"But I was handling it against the grey last time, Pat."

"I believe it." Either the partner missed the meaning, or thought better of it.

The 2 aces sparred all over the floor. But, all agreed, Potomac was the better.

Later, after the crowd departed, and the 3 cockers prepared to leave—each with an ace from Joe in a carry case, the breeder asked Joe if he wanted him to take Potomac back.

"No, thank you. I only wanted you to see this bird. Otherwise, you'd not believe it. But now I am the one embarrassed."

Joe called Pat to the side. "What do you think? Should I breed Potomac?"

"You might not get any chicks."

"Do you mean that guy might have ... squeezed him so? Or, even popped them?! But without ... why couldn't ... Pat ... how could he fight so gallantly today?"

Without smiling, Pat replied; "Billy loaned him his."

As the trio drove out of the yard Pat called out, "Even with one-half of Potomac's one would be better than two belonging to many other birds I've seen this month. Try and breed him!"

Walking back with Joe I recalled something Paul Keefer told me years ago. "The longer I'm in this sport the less I think I know."

MYCOPLASMA GALLISEPTICUM (MG) or (CRD)

From Jake Engle #2

This disease is caused by an organism of the same name as the disease. The organism is easily destroyed by sanitizers, disinfectants and sunlight. Several antibiotics are helpful in treatment of the disease.

The symptoms of the disease are sticky, serious exudate from nostrils, foamy exudate in eyes and swollen sinuses. Respiratory rales (rattle)—sneeze—flip head. Yellow (bright) and cheesy exudate in air sacs. Chickens with the disease without any complications may not show any outward symptoms. A blood test especially of your breeders is best form of diagnosis.

Prevention of this disease is best controlled by use of the tomahawk—words from the "Chief", my dad. Blood test all your breeders to be sure they are free of the disease. Practice strict isolation of your brood pens and keep out all visitors. Tylan plus vitamins (2 grams per gallon for 5 days) in drinking water at start of breeding season is good. Also use of Egg Formula Terramycin as directed. Dipping hatching eggs in Germex. Tylan plus vitamins in drinking water of chicks at 1 day and again at 4 weeks is also helpful. Chickens may be vaccinated at three weeks of age or older (breeders before they start into egg production) and for best results, a second vaccination 4 weeks later (½ cc under loose skin in back of the neck). Salsbury's vaccine for this disease (MG-Bac) is very expensive (retail price about \$165.00). I do not stock it due to this, but can special order it with delivery in 7 to 10 days from date you place the order. The price is for 1000 doses. That is the smallest size available.

Treatment for this disease: As I mentioned earlier, several antibiotics are helpful—bacitracin, erythromycin (Gallimycin), tetracycline, tylosin (Tylan 50 or 200 or Tylan plus vitamins), spectinomycin, and lincomycin. Best results appear to be from use of the last three. I do not stock all of these, but can obtain them. The last two are the most expensive.

My writings on these diseases are not those of a poultry Pathologist or a person with any particular specialty in veterinary medicine, but just those of a rooster fighter who has had a lot of exposure to people who do know. I hope they will be helpful.

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Strawshaker To Another

By EDWARD BENTLEY

Edward Bentley, known by many as "The Cocking Kid" from Oklahoma, started raising gamefowl when eleven years old. He bred, conditioned, heeled and handled some of the best cocks in the South; his feeling and love for well-bred gamecocks is second to none. He was a popular and dedicated referee for many years around the Oklahoma pits. When he didn't have an entry in the event, he was usually the referee. He was a protégé of the late Henry Wortham from whom he learned a great deal about breeding, selecting, and above all, conditioning.

Mr. Bentley has contributed numbers of articles, poems and cartoons over the years for your

information and enjoyment in Grit & Steel. He has a burning desire to uplift this sport, and by writing articles to help the beginners with knowledge they are seeking, will help close the "Gap" between them and the "Seasoned Cockers" who have years of experience. He believes by doing this, the competition at the pits will show a great improvement as the fights will be more on an equal basis for all contestants, both young and old alike. With this in mind, he believes the standard of quality in fighting cocks will naturally be raised to a higher level, both in breeding and fighting ability world wide.

—Ed.



Experience has, and always will be, the best teacher, and this hobby of cockfighting is no exception by any means.

Most beginners get "snagged" on the many short-cuts or fast-ways to get a gamecock into fighting shape, and must try every one on the market before he finally learns that it takes 365 days out of each year of proper care to establish this goal. One must have strong, healthy roosters to start with when the fighting season starts, and every day care is the only way that this can happen.

I'm in no position to "knock" any of the advertisers that boldly claim that his product is all that is needed to win in the majors with, however, all successful cockers will vouch that there are indeed no such thing as "instant condition" at the pit side.

The sooner you learn this, the more successful cocker you will become in a shorter period of time. I've witnessed scores of cockers over the years who tried drugs and stimulants on their roosters at heeling time, only to lose the majority of fights each time this was applied. (no exceptions)

Believe me, there are no short-cuts when it comes to healthy roosters, and healthy roosters are the only answer for winning in strong competition.

One cocker who fought cocks here in our Oklahoma pits many years ago was known to "shoot" each of his roosters with a needle just before he entered the pit to bill each up for battle.

We cockers, who knew that this was going on, each time we met him as an opponent, would "stall" a few minutes after we both had entered the pit for "time". This would cause the doped rooster's eyes to dilate to the point that blindness would occur temperary, and we would catch his rooster (our rooster would) on the score line, and most of the time that was all that was needed for a fast win.

Our "stalling" was done by re-weighing both roosters, rechecking band numbers, inspecting heels, etc. (Just four or five minutes was all it took) Sure, I felt sorry for those well-bred gamecocks of his, but they never suffered long.

After this dry and hot part of the season, I'm sure many of you have experienced traveling your roosters to a far distance pit, and the direct cause of their not winning up to your expectations was the trip.

Once your roosters get too hot while traveling, and go through a "sweat," your chances of winning the majority of fights are always small.

Therefore, the distance to the pit should be weighed out, and the route planned that supplies the smoothest ride, as well as the closest. Also the time involved of actual travel. Also their last feeding, weighin time considered, as well as the approximately time of your first fight called.

All these things mentioned are important and should be applied in order to get on the winning ledger. Much precaution should also be taken to avoid drafts, fumes from car, rough roads as well as unnecessary stops enroute to the pit.

Should we have a choice of transporting our fighting cocks several hundred miles, my choice would be to fly them by plane as they would never realize that they had even left home should all connections work out as planned.

However, air-conditioned station wagons with a big firm box spring mattress that fits the entire back end for your carrying cases to be placed on is a good way to have them. The mattress makes the ride much easier on the roosters as it absorbs the shock from hard bumps, that in turn, takes energy from your roosters that strain to balance themselves.

While traveling in hot weather enroute to the pit, keep temperature between 65 and 70 degrees, as they seem to be more at ease at this temperature than any other and will not go through the "sweat" mentioned. All my articles are written for the majority of cockers that are middle classed, working folks as I am, otherwise I would suggest to use what the wealthy cockers have—a jet liner (cockhouse on wheels) all self-contained.

Mr. Wortham used one for all of his Florida trips while working for Mr. Hulsey and Mr. Walton, which was indeed, the deluxe way to go. However, money was of no concern for them. (We Po Folks

have to get them there the best way we can afford.)

My advice to you who are new in this fine sport, is to visit the rooster plants of leading cockers around your location who will let you work around his place only for the knowledge you can absorb by being around him with his chores, pen building, etc. (It's surprising what you can learn.)

I'm sure that there are a few around that will help a lad learn the correct knowledge about the basic things that one must know to be a competitive cocker.

My wish is, that we have more "Henry Findleys" around, yes, dedicated cockers that are willing to share their success with the beginners, which are the cockers of tomorrow...and thats for sure.

As you know, I have tried over many years in my articles to write my honest opinions, hoping they will help those who are seeking helpful information concerning their gamefowl. This magazine will publish your articles should they be of helpful material for the betterment of our sport. I'm sure many are turned down due to "back-biting", hearsay, and some "nonsense" that was dreamed up to try and "side track" beginners from the real truth only for competitive reasons.

This we certainly do not need, as beginners are confused enough already, learning all the many phases of our sport in a short period of time to be able to compete.

It takes much time and thought to write monthly articles of interest, and I try and do just that with a variety of different subjects that hopefully will interest all readers in some ways.

Over the years I have read many informative articles written by cockers that wanted to help others with their gamefowl. After writing two or three, they become discouraged from lack of comments, or letters regarding their articles, and do not attempt to write more. I know exactly how they felt, as many months go by that not one word or comment, either pro or con, would I be informed of, yes wondering if my motive for writing were being fulfilled. (Guess it's only human, that writers expect this) (Like a "hound dawg" chasing a rabbit—He likes to be yelled at every once in a while, as it do help him to keep goin') We writers like the same encouragement, especially when doing something for others that we don't have to do, only volunteer to it. In these golden years of life in which I am a member, "I realize more and more every day that "time" is man's most prized possession." The days just aren't long enough for me to get done what I'd like to get done. Between my fishin' and huntin' (in seasons) three or four days a week, horseshoe pitching tournamanets, oil painting (gamecocks, wild life of all kinds) wood carving, visiting cockers, also grand kids in Texas, Ole Straw keeps plenty busy at seventy years young.

Being a competitive sort of guy, I strive to be the best, or near the best in all things that interest me. We all have more talents than we think we do. All we need to do is practice, practice and practice. You'll be surprised just what you can accomplish. One man said: "It ain't braggin' if you

can do it. I excel to my satisfaction in being a better'n' average wing shot"—(another ole boy sed: "You can tell a trapper by his furs.") My gamebag has a larger bulge than most of my hunting companion...also there are more fish on my stringer—more horseshoes around the stake, etc. (No, I ain't braggin' cause I can do it) (Nuff sed.) Always ready for a challenge.

Overheard on the Soonerland trail: Ole Curley sed: "Say Lunch, shore hope we meet that last "Chicken Dude" that we just visited come next season. "Yeah, sed Lunch:—"only greens" that his roosters get all year is on the rim of their water container!" (ain't that awful?)

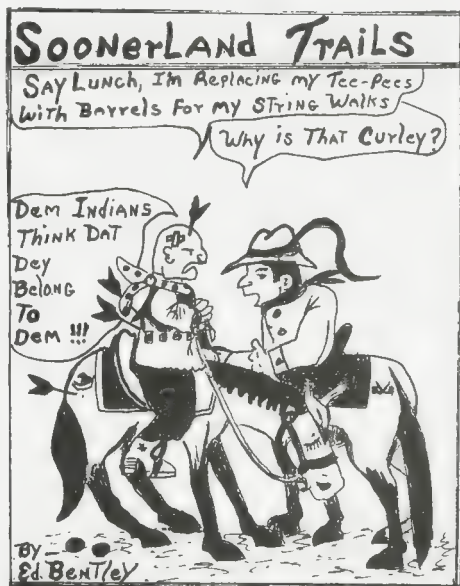
While fishin' on Caddo Creek the other day...up walks a young man carrying a rod and fishing tackle box. He wuz wearing a teeshirt with a big gamecock painted across the front. (needless to guess, he was a rooster man.) We had a short conversation didn't even exchange names.

He sed that he had a great winning streak the last two seasons due to the new method that he used. He also sed: that there are two categories that separate rooster fighters at the end of each season.

I asked him what he meant. He said: "The ones that used the Bentley-Wortham Keep...and those that wished they had."

(Ya know, that young feller just could be right) I wonder.

Have a good summer.



PREFACE OF HARD WORK AND COMMON SENSE BOOK

From Buck Haws

This is intended to, in different ways, some of which you may be pleased with to introduce this book. There will likely be two books, so, these words will be in the front of both of them. I will attempt to show myself as I am. As I think my Granny would have me to, and not as I think I am, at times. After winning a derby I feel like I know everything. After losing several in a row I come back to the leaving point. I haven't ever yet had to think about the beginning point as a new starting place. But I'm still quick to get back on the known path if something new don't work. I've tried a lot of ways that didn't work. But also I've, with the help I've had, done some good work with my gamefowl. Don't never stop trying to improve but, don't never bury the bridge, you may have to cross back over a creek or two.

I was first asked to do some articles for the gamefowl books back in 1960, by the late, and I think great, John H. Hempel, who was a very close friend of me and my family. At this time I was very busy, working as an engineer in construction industry, and fighting all the cocks I could, to help provide for my family. The gamefowl have always helped me to earn a class of living for my family and myself that mostly only the very wealthy could claim. For this you can see I'm very much in debt to gamefowl. I not only owe them the best care I can give them but also all the love I'm capable of. These fowl mostly of the Brown Reds have taken very good care of me, my family and several of my friends. This of course has mostly happened in the past. But I'm still fighting at the major pits and still winning some. I also have a first cousin, Charles Goodson, who has some of all the fowl and is likewise doing well with them. I'd like to say I love him and his family very much. He is the only one of a half hundred cousins who ties back to Granny with me in the love of our fowl. He gets what he wants off this yard and he's more than welcome to it, or anything else I've got for that matter. He's my kinfolk back to my Granny who I owe for whatever good points I may have. All the bad things in my life I got by my own doing. My Granny never taught me any wrong doing. You could say my Granny made this writing possible. I still miss her so much. She was such a humble person that to know her was to love her. She served her family and community well. She helped to deliver dozens of babies who live in East Texas at this time. The night was never too dark nor the weather too bad for Granny to go to help out someone in need. She was the best herb doctor I've ever seen, as well as setting broke bones and minor surgery, digging out stuck in objects and lancing boils and such things that needed to be done and no doctors within reach.

So my friends, I will first of all dedicate these words to my Granny who in so many ways taught them to me. She was born in Tennessee, went to Mississippi before the trail of tears started for the Cherokee nation. She was born at the time the sun was rising and was as a child called Daughter of the Sunrise. As she grew to adulthood and had to choose a name for herself she chose two names from the Bible that she loved the writings about Mary, the mother of JESUS and ELIZABETH, the mother of JOHN the BAPTIST. So to MARY ELIZABETH EMFINGER, daughter of the clan of James Guess, known as Sequoyah, writer of the Cherokee alphabet, sometimes called George Guess. But to me the most important part of this is that Mary Emfinger was my Granny. Thank you my teacher and my buddy. If there is a hereafter and I know there is, and therefore my belief that you now abide with our LORD. I will be following after you when so deemed by GOD. I know I shall see you again as I believe the scriptures teach us. Granny I've forgotten so much that you showed me over the time we were together. But in these pages I've tried to put it down like you would approve of and I know as I in turn leave this in written words to my Grandchildren and their children, if any, I will to the best I can only state the truth as I know and understand it. So, children here is part of Pa Paws heritage to you. I hope you read nothing that would keep you from being a fine person, an honest citizen of your time and community. Thats my wish for each of you. I hope these pages will be a help to you in all you try in your life. Our ancestors had what was then called the "magic touch", I hope each of you get it.

I've tried to pass some of my heritage on to you in all the ways still allowed to be taught. Some of the Indian ways were, and still would be better, than lots of living types used today. Our people hunted with a bow and arrow and cooked outside because they had to. Nowadays millions of people do so because its supposed to be fun. The cooking part may be so it won't mess up the kitchen or heat up the house in the summer time. But as for the bow hunting, I'd rather you my family didn't do any. It causes too many animals to be hurt or lost. People don't learn to use their tools, so in hunting, if it be gun or bow don't ever try to cripple anything. Shoot to kill when you shoot. Don't just know what you are shooting, better to know where you are shooting. Until you do, you can't ever hit your target. Whatever your aim in life may be. I think the bulls eye is the place to aim. Why be satisfied with the outer part of the circle when its less crowded in the center. Remember this children of mine, I can help teach you how to aim at your chosen target. But ain't nobody can teach you what your target of life will be. When you decide what it will be, learn all you can about your weapons and shoot straight.

I have made thousands of friends in my lifetime on account of the fact that I've shown honest fowl and tried to conduct myself the same way that I wanted my fowl to act. I desire that you continue on with this kind of program. Both with the fowl

and your personal integrity. Both you and your friends can win with a program of this nature. I've also had to put up with a lot of jealous people over the years, but don't let this be a deterrent to you. If you do good, there will be some who resent you.

I'm going to mention several people that I consider good friends and desire that you keep in contact with them. It is my aim to keep a record of those who order these books. What a library of friends it will be. It will give you contact with people who share a common interest with you, wherever you go there will be a good friend to visit with. You will my children, if you do well, be accused of doing wrong at the pits and cheating. Don't ever let this be true, just keep on doing right as you can. The mule that's pulling his load can't be looking back. You can't stop the backbiters so don't waste your time trying. Be right and Keep on, Keeping on.

This my friends is a portion of the preface of the outcoming books. I hope if bought by you that you receive much in return for your money. I will welcome all response to them. Hope to see all of you at the National Meeting. Also I'm supposed to be at the Tennessee and the Missouri Meetings. Check the magazines for dates and places.

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Question—

My roosters apparently have brittle bones as they will break a leg very easily and also shell spurs easily. Is it something I am feeding them?

Answer—

The problem is what you are not feeding them. Calcium is required for strong bones and spurs. However, Calcium cannot be utilized by the bird unless his system contains an adequate supply of Vitamin D. Oyster shell contains the Calcium a chicken needs, so put a can of Oyster Shell in each coop. Also give 1/2cc of Vitamin A, D & E every three weeks or put A, D & E powder in their water twice a week.

Question—

What makes a hen start laying eggs and how long will she lay?

Answer—

Hens start to lay as the days get longer as light is what stimulates the Pituitary Gland to send a signal to the ovary to drop an egg yolk into the oviduct. If you leave the eggs in her nest, she will lay about 12 to 15 eggs and then start setting. However, if you put a couple plastic eggs in the nest and take out the real eggs as she lays them, then she should lay for months!

Question—

What is the lowest temperature an egg can withstand and still hatch?

Answer—

The proper temperature for storage of hatching eggs is between 55 and 60 degrees. The eggs should not be kept in the refrigerator and they should not be allowed to freeze. The longer the eggs are stored, the less likely they are to hatch. It is not a good idea to store eggs more than seven days, however, the eggs will stay good longer if you wrap each individual egg in a plastic wrap like Saran Wrap which is available in your local Grocery Store! With this wrap around them and kept at about 55 degrees, they may stay good for two to three weeks.

Question—

I raise only 40 to 50 chickens and it seems like a waste of money to have to buy Pox Vaccine in 500 doses. Can't they make it in smaller doses?

Answer—

If the manufacturers had their way, all vaccines would be in 10,000 dose sizes and the reason is that the cost of making the vaccine is in the containers and not in the vaccine itself. However, you can cut the vaccine in half and save the other half until later.

Be careful to use steril containers to mix the vaccine in. You should boil the container for twenty minutes, then put 1/2 the powder and 1/2 the liquid into the steril glass. Put the unmixed portions back in the refrigerator. Once you mix the vaccine it should be used in a couple of hours. This procedure can be done with most vaccines, be sure all your equipment is steril.

TIP OF THE MONTH

From Carl J. Saia

Last April, I sent a pair of my old inbred Lacy Roundheads to an old friend in Canada. This gentleman (one of Quebec's finest cockers) had used my Lacy's for crosses, for a long time. The hen I sent was a beautiful specimen and a proven hen, who produced excellent fowl in the past for me. The stag was out of a full sister to the hen, and for a time, I thought he was going to be a spangle until he matured as a black breasted red.

The hen had spent the winter as a companion to a White Hatch Cock. They were together. However, I was not saving any of their eggs. When my friends request came, I replaced the White Hatch cock with a three year old Lacy cock, her mate in the 1986 brood yard (and a first cousin). She laid a few eggs which I used in the kitchen. The old timer (like me) discards the first seven eggs when hen is placed under a new cock. Modern cockers say discarding the first three eggs is sufficient. However, there are exceptions to every man made rule, as mother nature goes and does as Mother Nature pleases. A couple of days before I shipped the hen, I put her in with her nephew to let them get used to each other.

Well, you can imagine my surprise when I received a letter from Canada with pictures. One of the pictures showed the hen with eighteen chicks, nine reds and nine whites. My friend was really pleased to get 9 White Lacy Roundheads. However, as I studied the picture with a magnifying glass, they looked more like White Hatch to me. I have tried for over twenty five years to get a White Lacy, and as of this day, never had the first to hatch.

I feel that if some unknown white ancestor bloodlines were put into these Lacy fowl before 1940 (and I know Judge Lacy made many excellent battle crosses) and the Spangles are evidence that white blood is present, that one or two whites would have shown up over the years. Not nine whites out of eighteen eggs that hatched.

This had led to some extensive thought on my part and here are my conclusions.

I know that the three Lacy's involved are very closely related, and extremely inbred. I also know that I have never added any new blood. I also know that fertility is about fifty per cent and the hatching of chicks is around forty percent (these Lacys have been inbred over 45 years.) So when my friend said he hatched 18 chicks out of 20 eggs, I felt something is wrong, as none of my inbred families, White Hatch, Biloxi Hatch and Lacy Roundheads ever produced that number of chicks out of 20 eggs.

I have reached a conclusion that the inbred hens ova (egg) has built up a resistance to the sperm from her male relatives. This resistance to the Lacy sperm made the ova more receptive to the sperm of the White Hatch, which was also present and fertilized the ova.

If my conclusions are logical and I believe they deserve some merit. If true, the only way this hen could become clean, is for the hen to set on her own eggs so that her high body temperature would finally kill the White Hatch sperm.

This is my opinion. What is your opinion?



Pure White Kelso now on the brood yard of Wade Sullivan of TN. The picture tells all. His pride and joy. (Picture from The White Claret)

"DOC" ROHNER CORNER

TEPEES

Well, fellow cockers, it's that time of the year again, to build new tepees, fly pens, coops, etc. Here's a little tip I have found helpful. I use a 40 year treated fence post. Cost about 99¢ to \$1.25. Get the six foot 2" to 2½" diameter post. You'll get two roost poles. Cut your tin about 3½ foot long. Use ring shank nails for they will not pull out. Nail your tin to each side of post leaving about four inches to stick pass the edge of the tin and about half of the post sticking up pass the edge of the tin. Get yourself the two liter type soda bottles with the black bottom. Pop the bottom off and take a roofing nail (square type) and place one in the center of the bottle. Nail about half way in the middle of the tepee on the pole, next cut the rest of the bottle in half and place in the bottom. Presto, you have a water bowl which will last several years and at little or no cost. I nail an extra brace inside the tepee from side to side for the fowl to roost on during bad weather.

If you live where there are bad winds, stake down. Also check all your tie out cords and change. There are several good ones on the market today. Stake your fowl so that they can get to their water bowl.

Will let you go now. I hear a hawk in the field. I hope this has helped someone, for then my job has been done.

Remember, win or lose, keep your head up and offer a firm handshake. God loves us all.

BUDDY STRAIN

From Johnnie Digby

When Rusty got out of the chicken business I bought everything he had. This included 49 chicks, believe it or not I raised 48 of the chicks. If I remember right he had 9 hens and 7 cocks and few round pens. I didn't even have a chicken pen. There were two big hens, wheat color with green eyes, yellow legs and straight comb. They stood out because the other hens were smaller and had red eyes. Rusty told me you can't have these two hens but you can keep them until Larry White comes for them. Larry let Rusty borrow them for breeding over some Clarets. Daddy said they had Jap in them because of the green eyes.

I crossed them with Clarets, Hulseys, Morgan and some of Woodie's Hatch Kelso. No problem.

Rusty said that Larry got the two hens from Buddy Barnett. Now all this time I think they are Hatch Kelso. I fought a couple of them on the mountain and won both in the fly. Buddy (he was there) told me those hens were $\frac{1}{2}$ Harve Hatch and $\frac{1}{2}$ Yellow leg Hatch. The two I fought were $\frac{1}{2}$ Chastain Claret and $\frac{1}{2}$ Buddies. One came pearl legged, the other one yellow legged but both had red eyes. They are smart. They break just high enough to knock their opponent down, on the second pitting he just steps aside and turns around, gets on the other cock's back and cuts him to death. Everything is leaving this yard except the Claret—Claret crosses—Hulseys—Hulseys Crosses. They have stood the test and been proven over and over again.

When we had the pit Larry fought with us. He won most of his fights. One derby when he came he ask me about the hens. We walked out here. I pointed one out on the yard and took him to the pen where the other one was setting. He said, I'll get them when I get ready to leave. I told him OK, I knew they were his and he was supposed to get them. We went back to the pit. Later in the day he came back to me and said Nudy, I'm going to leave those two hens. I see they are being well taken care of, I'll come back after that one hatches. Larry never came back but the hens are still here and many off-springs. They want plenty of space. I put them in the biggest pens.

Daddy knew all about the hens. Out of the first Claret Hatch come this big cock, Daddy named him Buddy. Daddy told me he wanted this strain called Buddys. He went through details on what fine cocks they would be and they proved to be everything he said. Our story, as usual, dogs. Buddy I was left. He had been fought 3 times then we lucked up on a crooked pitter. We almost won in spite of his crooked doings. Today that pitter has been barred from all the pits in this area. Buddy I had a son just like him. Daddy named him Buddy II. He was everything that Buddy I was. I fed him, won over a 3 time winner. Ralph Pointer

fed him and it came a storm; water was running through the pit. We met an 8 time winner which we didn't know until the fight was over. Those Georgia boys loaded up. One of our cockers came to me and said: Miss Nudy, if you can't cover all their bets let us know. We will take it." Those Georgia boys turned a lose one of the strongest old green legged Hatch we had ever seen. No contest, Buddy II knew what had to be done and he wasted no time in doing it. When the boy came to pay me he said: Miss Nudy you whipped one of the best Hatch cocks in Georgia. He was an 8 time winner.

Buddy II is in a brood pen now, healthy, showing no aging. No amount of money can buy him.



Buddy II, won over an 8 time winner, won Scott house over a 3 time winner and won the money fight in a main in 1983.

Daddy thought Buddy Barnett was one of the best cockers around. Daddy told me many times that Jack Porter said that Buddy made the Blues famous at Sunset. Daddy liked Buddy because he took interest in Rusty and friends fighting in the back yards. If the Law came by Buddy would tell them its just a bunch of little old boys mugging some roosters. These kids knew nothing about Keeps. Buddy helped Larry White. Larry helped Rusty. I won't ever forget Rusty took one of Daddy's Clarets when he came back he was thrilled, talking like a mocking bird. Buddy told Rusty, that Claret can't win. Rusty said, I have \$5.00 I'll bet you. The Claret won fast. Rusty just took him out of a round pen. I think that was the greatest chicken thrill of his young life, winning his first \$5.00 on a Daddy John Claret. Rusty and friends called them Daddy John Claret then they were called C. C. Claret, now they are known as Chastain Clarets. Daddy got a big laugh. Rusty said, Daddy John you can have half of what I won. Daddy told him to keep it.

When we opened the pit Buddy came to work for Daddy. Some of the Cockers didn't like Buddy because Daddy had him checking the gaffs, anything else that came up Buddy took care of it. I knew nothing about operating a pit, I learned in

a hurry. Buddy received little pay. Buddy came to me and told me to tell Mr. John he was going to work for Circle C. Daddy understood. Mr. Runt and Daddy had been friends for so many years. Buddy thought it was the right thing to do since Mr. Runt was his father-in-law and Jason's Granddad. I guess everybody liked Mr. Runt.

Time goes by. Buddy's birthday was coming up, Daddy said to me I want you to give that rooster to Buddy for his birthday. I said Daddy, Buddy might not want him. He said, well take it to him. He was a ½ Claret, ½ Buddy, tell him if he doesn't want him to come by and pick the one he likes. Buddy said, I had rather have a pea comb, he came, went through the flock and picked a ½ Claret ½ Albany.



Daddy John holding Buddy I.

The little cock he turned down I fought him over Georgia and won. the man said: Lady that sure is a fine little rooster. I want you to know you won over one fine cock.

He went on to tell me he had fought mains with Wortham, Kelso and so many of the big timers. He said I have never seen one fight any better than your cock. You should be very proud of him. I came back feeling fine and very proud. I always gave Daddy part of my winnings. Not only was he a fine little cock but he had many offsprings just as great.

Ralph Pointer gave me a pure Lacy Roundhead I named Ralph. I crossed him with a ½ Chastain Claret and ½ Buddy. I called him Ralpie. Ralpie was the gamest cock I have ever seen fight. I won over a cocker that won an 82 entry derby with a perfect score. I believe his old Hatch cock was one of the toughest. When he went up in the fly and hit the ground the green legged Hatch was blind in both eyes and Ralpies wings were wrecked. When Ralpie would break he would fall on his back; that Hatch would come over; Ralpie would reach and get him and cut him every time. They laid 3-1 against me. I know I have written this before. One cocker asked is Miss Nudy dead yet and I heard one answer no she is getting

better. Ralpie has fully recovered and I hope his offsprings are half as good as he was.

I have several more Buddys I'm trying to get fed out before the season is over. I feel confident about them. I fought 3 won 2 in the fly just got caught on the 3rd one. I like them because they are what I call scientific fighters. They are smart and have sense to stay out of the way of their opponent but know when to strike a deadly blow. They fight head on—sideways—every which way. They break just high enough to knock their opponent down next pitting if they can they just pass on by turn around get on his opponents back and he just keeps cutting. I heel them with 2½" medium points. Ask Sonny how he likes Buddy II.

When we burned Buddy came to me and gave me some money to help build back a place where Daddy could fight his chickens. Since we won't be fighting any more I gave Buddy his money back. He didn't want to take it but I made him.

When Rusty is home he will look after the chickens so I can go to the fights. We had the biggest laugh. I had roosters in Keep and I left him a note telling him what to do. Next day when he came he said what in the world is that big cock when I passed his pen he looked over the door and I jumped back. The bottom of the door was solid the upper wire. Rusty, that is the biggest cock I have ever seen. I told him he came out of the Buddys. One comes like that ever now and then. Right now I have 4 of them all weigh over 7 pounds. They are so gentle I call them baby. I just put them on stakes and if a hen comes up with a big chick I know who he belongs to. I wanted to fight them, can't get them matched. I don't believe they can be whipped, one weighed over 11 pounds, I gave him to this kid for a pet.

They were special to Daddy and I like them as long as I am able to breed I will breed the Buddy strain.

Jason (Buddy's son) has taken much interest in the sport. I would like to see this strain preserved. It would be a loss to our sport to see them die out. Only had 2 losses out of this strain since I started fighting them Buddy I fight thrown and the one I lost this season. I let a cocker borrow him for a 3 cock.



John L. Chastain, Buddy Barnett and Jason Barnett.

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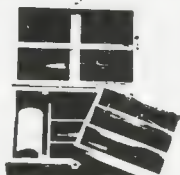
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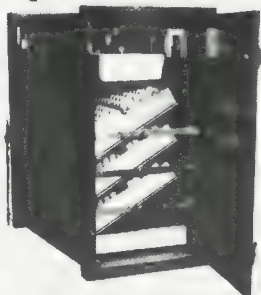
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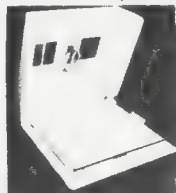
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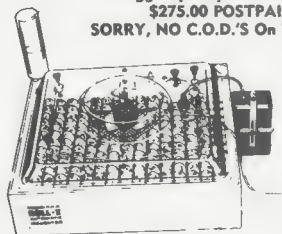
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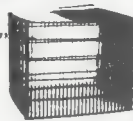


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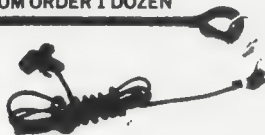
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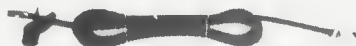
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HIGH TECH

From The Big Circle



Mrs. Juanita Adams

While visiting around this spring, I dropped by The Game Fowl Breeders Experiment Station #2 and saw a lady who I have admired for several years for her feeding ability of game fowl.

When I first learned she was the feeder of an entry at a major pit I also learned it was the first time the handler had handled a show of chickens.

Also the fellow who helped her feed had never helped anyone feed before.

They tied 7 wins, one loss. She fed out another show and went back; won again. Seven wins, one loss, but had an experienced handler this time.

Mrs. Juanita Adams has been feeding gamefowl nearly twenty years. I would put her next to Ms. Ethel M. Curry, the Great Lady Feeder of the thirties and forties.

FLORIDA GOVERNOR SIGNS LOTTERY BILL

Spartanburg Herald-Journal/Friday, June 5, 1987

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—A bill establishing a Florida lottery was signed into law recently by Gov. Bob Martinez, setting the stage for a billion-dollar-a-year business expected to pour \$144 million into state education in the next fiscal year.

Martinez campaigned last fall against a referendum to establish the game, but said the bill "gives the people the games they want with the protection they deserve."

The measure calls for the first "scratch-off" tickets to be available by Jan. 15. Officials hope to have the computer-registered games, in which players pick their own numbers, ready by May 1.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To Edward "Strawshaker" Bentley who will celebrate his 70th birthday with his family and grandkids during the last week in July.

COPS ARREST 77 AT COCKFIGHT

Seventy-seven spectators were arrested by city officials and police during a raid of an illegal cock-fighting pit in the basement of a Bronx tenement, authorities said yesterday.

The raid, carried out by nine ASPCA officials and 20 city cops took place about 11:35 p.m. Friday at 1020 Walton Ave., an apartment building located several blocks from Yankee Stadium in Highbridge.

Armed with a warrant and using a battering ram, the raiders broke down the basement door and surprised wagers who were busy placing bets on a fight in progress.

Jose Caraballo, 37, the building super and alleged promoter, and Arcelio Lopez, 31, of 527 56th St., Brooklyn were charged with felonies that could bring them \$25,000 in fines and jail terms of up to four years. The others were given desk appearance tickets for misdemeanors. Twenty five birds, trained to fight to the death and incapable of being domesticated, will be destroyed, authorities said.

—Thomas Raftery

"When there is a Will, there is a Way"—EBC

This newspaper clipping is not an unusual occurrence around the Puerto Rican community in New York City.

What is unusual or should I say absurd about this article is the phrase: "INCAPABLE OF BEING DOMESTICATED". These people obviously do not know what they are talking about.

Anyhow, this is nothing compared to the New Jersey bust last year wherein authorities were astonished to apprehend more than 200 people from four different States such as New Jersey, the host State of course, New York, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. As normally is the case, they were tipped off by envious persons as engaging in this sport in an abandoned and secluded warehouse.

Last but not least, I would like to mention the names of your outstanding advertisers such as Mr. Mack Kinnibrugh of Texas and Mr. Harold White of Alabama for providing me Hatching Eggs of the highest quality that not even the x-ray scanner at the airports and at least 18 hours of international air travel and 4 hours by land, were able to spoil the hatchability of these eggs.

Also, I would like you to know how much I enjoy reading your magazine and my friends as well thereby inducing them to subscribe. I procure all my cockfighting needs through your advertisers and quite satisfied with the service.

I wish you continued success in your undertakings and may the Good LORD help us in the preservation of this Ancient Sport.

Very respectfully,

Emil B. Castelo
Accountant/Breeder/Is. Cocker

COMMENT

Enclosed please find check to renew my subscription for another year.

I enjoy the magazine very much and read it completely. I especially like Buck Haws, Ed Bentley and Mike Strecker's articles.

Keep the good work coming.

Ronald S. Adams

JUST RAMBLIN' ON

From Spur

One thing I've noticed over the years is that gamefowl basically multiply faster than pens. At least around here they do. So a lot of my spare time—that's the time between work and sleep that my wife already hadn't got plans for—is spent building pens, seems sometimes like a never ending task. Wife says "just get rid of a few" but the problem is which one of these barnburners can I afford to let go—so you build more pens to hold stags till they can go onto cords or elsewhere.

The easiest type pen to build starts out as 2x4 welded wire 5 feet high and 2—8 foot 2x4s. Cut 3 foot off your 2x4s and make a box using the 5 foot sections as the side and 3 foot sections as the ends. To one side staple your 2x4 welded wire, make an arch and staple the wire to the other side approximately 90 inches or 45 spaces in the wire. Cut wire for the ends and you have a highly portable pen that won't hardly blow over. You can add a covered top using material of choice. These pens are good for a lot of different uses—single mating, older cocks that might get a little overweight in the brood pens in these pens with the low roost will help keep them from getting bumblefooted. I've got a gate in some of mine, some I got a little lazy and you have to pick them up to catch their occupants.

Ramblin' on I just got some Brown Red eggs from a gentleman who advertises in Grit and Steel. Somehow I've never managed to try any Brownreds but I'm looking forward to seeing how these will do. They'll definitely have their chance. Speaking of Brown Reds, my brother (who is fixing to be a 1 year veteran of the sport) has made arrangements with one of my favorite writers for a trio of his ole time Brownreds. This tickles me to no end as he has set out to acquire some fowl from reputable people and although its costing him a bundle, "Brood fowl don't cost—they pay" as my favorite writer does say. We've won a couple of small...derbys with him doing most all the work except heeling and handling—well on handling, he handled half the show on our last win. He handled one, I handled one and the last we both handled. This last was made possible by our opposing handler as he failed to handle when the referee asked for it leaving his cock free to put a gaff through my brother's hand. My brother says its one of those unique once in a lifetime experiences—he hopes.

Well ramblin' on I've got pens to build. Keep helping those beginners! Support the UGBA.

Please renew my subscription to Grit and Steel. I'm enclosing a money order so I will not miss one issue of this great magazine. I really enjoy reading it and keeping up with all the news in which your magazine gives. Thanks so much for such a good magazine.

Joe Davis

MY THOUGHTS

From Ross Irland

In the state of New York and all states that have problems similar to what we are having, one of the most difficult things we have is to explain our great desire and devotion to raising and proving the gamecock. Even the words we use to describe their recreational activity or hobby is most distressing to translate and even at times is revolting to some persons.

We have been called barbaric, cruel, inhuman, savages, mentally deranged and many more. We have allowed this name calling to continue without once defending ourselves to the public. We have been running, hiding and saying guilty so long. I think we believe it ourselves. The pitiful thing about this is compared with what is going on in this country; we have done absolutely nothing. What we have not done is say we are not guilty of wrong doing.

We are being controlled and brutalized by a minority group that has access to the press and T.V., making incorrect statements and voice their demands every day, while we can reach only the ones that are already congenial to our cause such as our very informative and wonderful magazine and poultry papers. We must take any avenue to plead our case and defend our rights as innocent and productive citizens of this state and nation.

There is another drawback to this problem. If we had the same monetary value to the state or nation as basketball or any other national sport, there would be no hesitation. We would be welcomed with open arms. There is a saying and I repeat, "this country will sell the rope for its own hanging, if the price is right."

It is much easier to argue against our hobby, than to argue in favor of it. To try to explain to the average person the time and devotion that goes into first raising and the exceptional food and care that is given to a cock up to the time you are about to prove his courage and ability to perform. Then try to make it understandable to this person, how you have worked with this cock for two or three weeks, doing everything to make him feel comfortable and good with himself, never once abusing him, always treating him with tender loving care. Knowing his weight to the split ounce, every move he makes you know is good, but if he has not reached his best form, set him aside for another time.

Try to explain all this to a novice or one that is not interested and the first response you no doubt will hear, "How can you possibly do all this for him and then send him out to destroy himself?" The first thought that comes to me, if I did a good job for him and he has that great desire to defeat his opponent, his chances of success are very much in his favor, but probably my reply to this individual would be, "It is a hell of a lot better than being burnt to a crisp at a church chicken barbeque."

Speaking of a barbeque, this may be all a fantasy, but remember our legislators are always appearing at church barbeques trying to get exposure. This is a very good place to discuss this matter with him, at about the same time he is taking a big bite of chicken. You might very well get an interesting answer and a good possibility a positive one. He is nobody's fool, especially with a mouth full of chicken; there is no room for his foot too.

It is very challenging trying to convey our message to the American people and our law makers, that the true gamecock is a very rare and unique creature. Over the span of history he has always commanded courage and always demanded respect every time you layed hands on him. He tolerated only gentleness, nothing else.

There is a very good possibility the cock that crowed at the time Christ was crucified was in a sense of that time a gamecock. During the triumphs and world conquest of Alexander the Great, his army came upon two cocks in mortal combat along side the road, while they were marching. He invited his soldiers to witness and to be inspired by their great courage before going into battle.

This is just some of the inspiration that man has received from these amazing and beautiful birds. There is also a number of sayings and words in the English language that describe man's feelings and joys that have derived from deeds and the disposition of the true gamecock. This is something that causes great embarrassment to our tormentors, which has given them pain to try to explain. If it is within this society's power they intend to have these descriptive sayings erased from our vocabulary. Their great tendency to dispose of this problem is guilt. What else, if you cannot find reason for what you are doing (except monetary gain)?

To place these courageous fowl in the same category with bear and bull baiting, which have long gone into history, and bullfighting, which is still with us, this is a great travesty.

In the three above exhibitions, the outcome already has been determined. With the cock, he is the one that makes that decision and he alone.

The American Pit Bull Terrier and The American gamecock should never be grouped together. This exciting and very lovable dog was completely man made as is all AKC and UKC registered dogs. (This is another story). The true gamecock is a natural creation of nature. All man did was preserve and improve on its natural talents. This courageous bird was already here for man to enjoy.

As I said before, this is a terrible injustice and a tragic thing to do to these fowl. These fowl have been with man during the writing of scriptures into the Bible and has continued to be with man in his original form, as a determined fowl of combat which has been his only function as the pages of history unfold.

I don't think there is another animal or fowl that has been harbored by man and has remained

in his original form and disposition more than the true gamecock. What man has done is preserve and improve all his qualities he had when he walked out of the jungle to share man's food at the dawn of civilization.

Anytime man subdues an animal or fowl and makes him perform for man's enjoyment or work, man must remove some of his resistance that nature gave him. At no time in the life of a true gamecock has this ever been done. Man can only help him, never force him to do what he wishes to do and that is to defend the ground he is standing on; which we all must do, or die trying.

You no doubt, have noticed I referred to only the true gamecock which we have always struggled to obtain, nothing tainted, all pure.

Again, I say these are my own thoughts and please join the New York Breeders Association, or any one of the other affiliates. Support all our game fowl magazines and poultry papers. They are the only source of communication with one another. Remember, all these people are working for the good and improvement of your fowl and the continuation of their existence.

RAMBLINGS

by Warbird

Just sitting here a while and reflecting, and got to thinking about how all the animal rights groups have all this money at their disposal and we are scratching along in our organization and its affiliates to try and preserve our rights and freedoms as both Americans and cockers. Could it be possible we have not exactly approached this thing in the right way and possibly we could learn a little something by observing the way these groups operate and obtain funds?

We are trying to get our funding by shouldering the load alone, through cockers and enthusiasts while these animal rights organizations are not only donating to their own cause but they hold fundraisers, raffles, and all sorts of money raising events that are of interest to the public. For example the Humane Society recently held a big dog wash and dip for a fee and their members donated their time to make this work and it was advertised and they had a crowd show up and raised a lot of funds. Why can't we do these sorts of things? If it is concern that the public will be upset and react negatively to being part of a fundraiser that would promote cockfighting, we can simply downplay this aspect and toot the horn about being for a breeders and showbird organization. Have some ribbons on display to make the point and put any touchy folks at ease and after a while as these fundraisers become more commonplace you will begin to attract larger and larger crowds. Let the public help us shoulder our load the animal rights organizations do and that is why they have so much more resources than we do.

This would help insure monies for the necessities such as lobbyists and lawyers and would help to pay for advertisement for further fundraising events.

Another idea would be to have some of our officers or one of the officers or board members in the UGBA contact groups that hold ideals very much like our own concerning our eroding rights and so on and so forth. Powerful groups such as the National Rifle Association. This would certainly be a big help and make us a more formidable opponent. Maybe all these ideas won't work but how do we know if we don't try them? We should try and investigate any ideas that someone may put forth and see if these are viable ideas, one just might be the goose or is that hen that layed the golden egg? Think about it.

ONE OPINION

by James C. Jernigan

For several years the readers of the game fowl journals, Grit and Steel and The Gamecock have been subjected to articles concerning gamecocks and cock fighting by several so called experts. Most of these writers are not nearly as knowledgeable as they would have us believe, and several of them fill their articles with subjects that have nothing whatever to do with a gamecock. For example, some of the articles supposedly about game fowl will get off on such things as fishing, religion, politics and crime. I do not subscribe to the game fowl magazines to learn how to fish or for religious or political purposes. As an attorney with 35 years experience I think I know a little more about crime and the justice system than some layman who may not have a high school education. The game fowl magazines would do well to delete this type of writing.

A lot of the information on game fowl by these so called experts is erroneous. Some of the things we have been told amount to nothing more than witchcraft. For example, trim your stags when the sign is in the feet. This is pure bull. I have been trimming stags and cocks since I was twelve years old without regard to any sign and haven't lost one yet. I am now 66. The amount of blood a stag or cock loses when trimmed does not depend on the moon or stars but on the condition or health of the cock or stag; the size and type of comb and whether or not the bird has been kept quiet before trimming or has undergone strenuous exertion.

In the last few years these experts (?) have told us of the devastating effect of the famous "gizzard blow." This gizzard blow effect is 100% bullshit. The gizzard is a muscle and there is no pathological or scientific basis for such an effect from a blow to the gizzard. The most obvious answer to the effect attributed to the "gizzard blow" is that a nerve has been hit—not the gizzard.

In the future I wish these experts would be a little better informed.

HISTORY OF MY SHUFFLER BLOODLINES

By Arthur Keils

The roaring 20's had ended. The Cleveland area had its brick streets, and the horse and wagon were still in use. The Cleveland area still had its wide open spaces and the Taverns were selling beer for 5¢ with a free lunch and many had a back room with a cock pit. Pitters wore derby hats and had a training guide sold through The Police Gazette on training the Gamecock.

Dudley Pierce of Appleton, Wisconsin, was making his mark with his Wisconsin Brown Red Shufflers.

Otto Keils of Cleveland, Ohio and C. V. Myers of Union City, PA had met at pitside and both men had ordered the Shuffler fowl from Dudley Pierce. After trips to Mr. Pierce's, both men became friends with Mr. Pierce and soon obtaining his best fowl.

Otto Keils, C. V. Myers, with the help of Dudley Pierce, fought 20 Mains in the 30's using the Shuffler fowl. This included the famous main against Pete Horrocks with his famous and deadly "White Specks" winning 19 out of 20 mains and losing one, a return main, against Pete Horrocks to be their only loss out of 20 mains that year.

C. V. Myers and Otto Keils, being good friends, Otto moved to Myers' place in PA and did the Shuffler training there. C. V. had a great training camp near Lake Pleasant.

Otto died at Verns' place several years ago, and C. V. died just recently.

At Otto's death I acquired all of Otto's Shufflers, bred for hard hitting and high breaking, including the yard Otto called the Sledgehammer family.

As Pierce fought in the Chicago area, a famous breeder of Shufflers named Floyd Dennis and his partner Karl Hill secure the best Shuffler blood from cocks fought by Mr. Pierce in the Chicago area pits. These cocks Mr. Pierce said, were from his Brick Yard family.

This year, 1984, Mr. Karl Hill of Chicago drove to my place in Medina, Ohio and brought the Brick Yard Shufflers to Ohio. Mr. Karl Hill has all of Floyd Dennis's Shufflers called the Brick Yard Shufflers.

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All these great Shuffler breeders sold these Brown Reds for years and many said this was the best Shuffler blood lines.

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Shufflers again as the blood comes from the top Shuffler Breeders of the past and present. Most of these breeders are now dead but their Shufflers shall live on.

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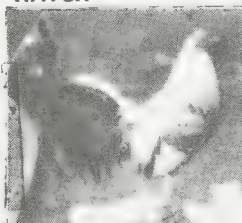
It is with the deepest sorrow that I write at this time. Each year at this time I have renewed subscriptions for Grit and Steel and Gamecock for over 40 years for Sam Perry. Sam passed away in September of '86, after a long illness. May 5th would have been our 48th anniversary. He was an avid Gamecock breeder and fought lots of fights. Everywhere he went your magazines went with him. He read them from cover to cover. I would like for you to publish this piece I found just a few days ago. My daughter had written it after he passed away.

Mrs. Sam Perry

Known by one and all as Pa, Sam Perry will live on through his family. His sons said he was tougher than whit leather, that he never met a stranger; if you knew him you loved him. He was married for 48 years, had 3 sons and 4 daughters and a heart of gold and unlimited love to give. He was always there with a strong hand to guide you along life's path and in our eyes the Greatest that ever lived. We will miss you forever, Pa.

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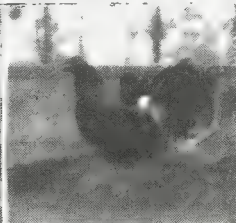
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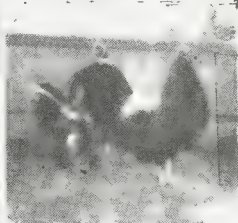
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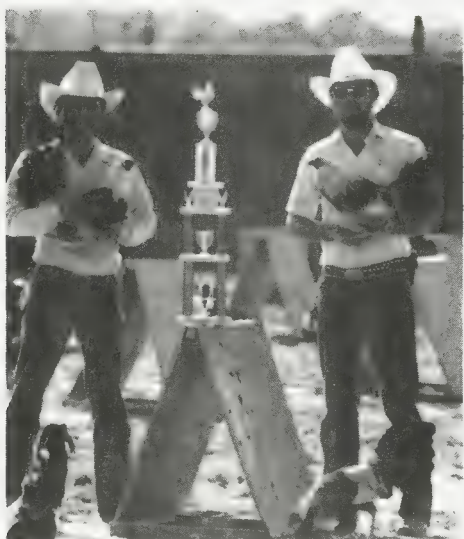
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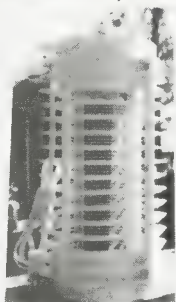
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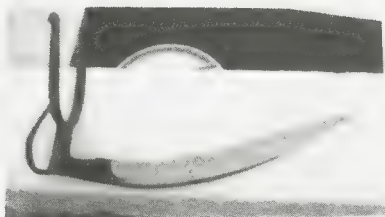


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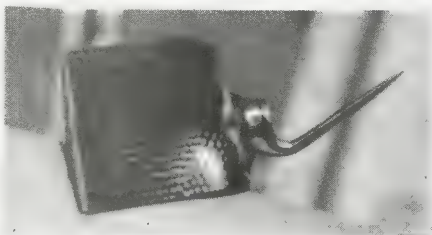
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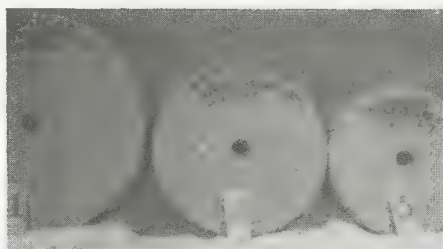


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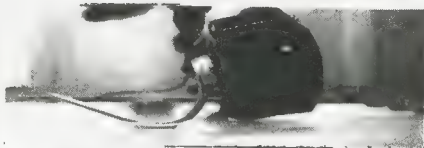
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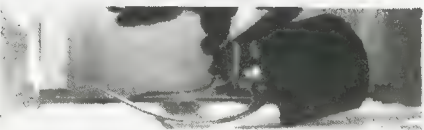
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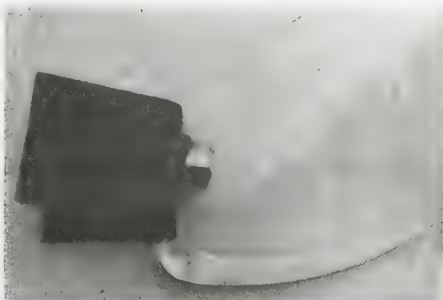
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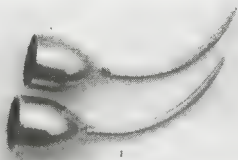
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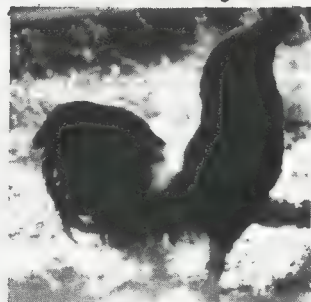
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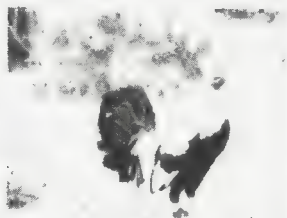
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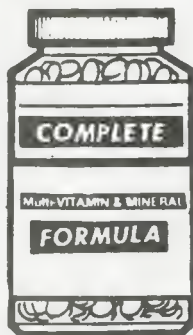
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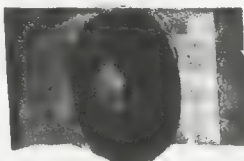


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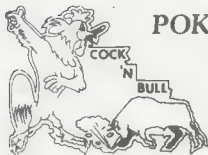
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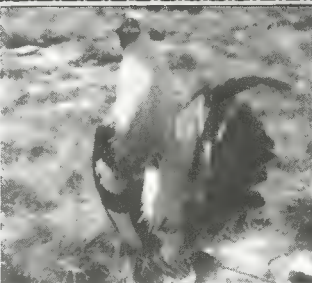
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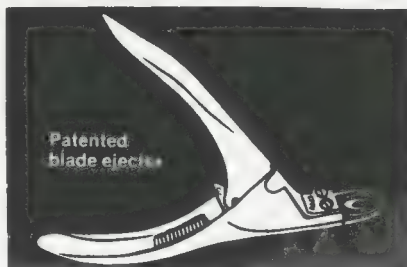
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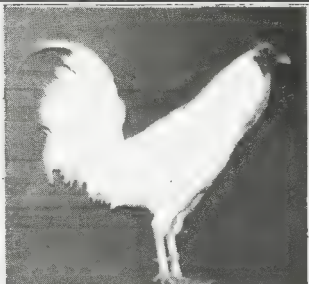
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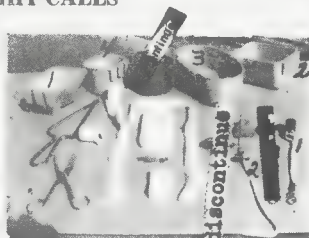
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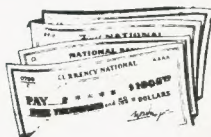
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